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In re Application of:)
Akihiko MARUYAM et al.) Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 09/979,558) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Filed: November 23, 2001)
For: NOVEL PSYCHROTROPHIC)
BACTERIUM AND DNA PROBE FOR)
DETECTING THE BACTERIUM)

**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the Sequence Listing at pages 1/6 to 6/6 and substitute in its place the Sequence Listing submitted herewith in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated January 17, 2002.

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REMARKS

Applicants have submitted a corrected Sequence Listing to address errors noted in the Raw Sequence Listing Error Report. The amendment adds no new matter.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary
Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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